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## IN THE SPECIFICATION

## <u>Kindly amend the paragraph extending between lines 5-19 on page 2 with the following:</u>

Referring to FIG. 1, a preferred embodiment of the present invention is a remote control system capable managing a plurality of television programs by issuing command signals to a television set 2 via a telephone set 10. As shown in FIG. 1, the television set 2 is configured to receive audio/video programming and data signals from the conventional television (TV) broadcaster 4 and/or the Internet content provider (or server). The TV programs can be delivered in analog, digital, or digitally-compressed formats via any transmission means including satellite, wireless, cable, wire, and the Web. Alternatively, the television set 2 may be coupled to a receiver [[9]] 8 or set top box to receive the Internet content from a particular web server via a high-speed line, RF, conventional modem, or a two-way cable carrying the video programming or iTV application. All incoming signals are received by the television set 2 or the receiver 8 for display. It should be noted that a receiver within the context of this disclosure includes an interactive TV/set-top box, or any duplex interactive devices. In an alternate embodiment, the television set 2 may be coupled to a telecom server 20 directly. The telecom server 20 is generally a remote computer system that is accessible via a conventional PSTN or wireless connection.

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## Kindly amend the specification to include the following as an ABSTRACT.

## **ABSTRACT**

The present invention is directed to a method and system for managing television programs and interactive television (iTV) applications with convenience. In particular, the present invention provides a simplified control system by providing means for a user to use conventional push buttons such as found on a conventional telephone keypad and/or an interactive voice response system to select a desired program or navigate through an iTV application.